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Title: PURIFICATION OF ELECTROCHEMICALLY DEOXIDISED REFRACTORY METAL PARTICLES BY HEAT PROCESSING

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment 0 minus highest number  
previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$50.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$

Independent claims after amendment 0 minus highest number  
previously paid for 3 (at least 3) = 0 x \$200.00 \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add  
\$360.00 (1203)/\$180.00 (2203) \$

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this  
paper and attachment(s)  
One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251)  
Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252)  
Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253)/\$510.00 (2253)  
Four Month Extensions \$1590.00 (1254)/\$795.00 (2254)  
Five Month Extensions \$2160.00 (1255)/\$1080.00 (2255) \$

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$130.00 (1814)/\$65.00 (2814) \$

☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806) \$

Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) \$

Other: Surcharge; Copy of Notification of Defective Response \$ 130.00

**TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 130.00**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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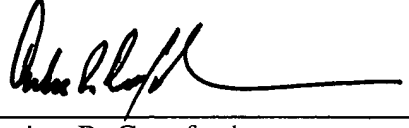
**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE**

Responsive to the Notification of Defective Response (copy attached) mailed January 27, 2006 in the above, the surcharge for late submission of declaration (\$130) is attached. An early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494):

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 03/25/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 03/25/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 03/25/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 03/25/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 08/31/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 03/25/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 03/25/2005
- Assignment filed on 03/25/2005
- Specification filed on 03/25/2005
- Claims filed on 03/25/2005
- Drawings filed on 03/25/2005

Applicant's response filed 08/31/2005 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 09/12/2005 have not been completed.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 was not received.

## SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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